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British Medical Association.

WORK OF COMMITTEES

FOR QUARTER ENDING OCTOBER 25TH, 1916.

IN the report of the Proceedings of Council which appeared in the SUPPLEMENT of November 11th the chief recommendations of the various committees were set out, but space did not allow of any account being given of other activities of the committees which were reported to the Council. The following further report of the work of the Medico-Political Committee will, it is hoped, prove interesting:

MEDICO-POLITICAL COMMITTEE.

Diagnosis and Treatment of Venereal Diseases.

Resulting from instructions given by the Annual Representative Meeting in July, the President, the Chairman of Representative Meetings, the Chairman of Council, Mr. Domville, Dr. Campbell, Mr. Garstang, Mr. Bishop Harman, and the Medical Secretary met the President of the Local Government Board on August 15th, 1916, and pressed forward the view, expressed by the Annual Representative Meeting, that it is essential for the satisfactory working of any scheme for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal diseases that the local medical profession be asked to nominate representatives who would be entitled to serve upon any committee having the organization and control of any such arrangements. A full report of the deputation will be found in the SUPPLEMENT TO THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of August 26th, 1916, together with the Memorandum previously submitted to Mr. Long.

The Deputation was entirely successful in its object, inasmuch as the President of the Local Government Board accepted the view of the Association, and a fortnight later issued a circular letter to the councils of counties and county boroughs and to the Common Council of the City of London, urging that committees of local authorities to whom the preparation of a scheme was delegated should invite the local profession to nominate two representatives to attend all committee and subcommittee meetings at which the proposed scheme might be discussed, and to assist the Committee with their special knowledge of the needs of the particular area, one to represent the medical staffs of hospitals and the other general practitioners in the administrative area. (For circular see SUPPLEMENT TO THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of September 2nd.)

Subsequently the Executive Subcommittee of the Insurance Acts Committee issued a communication (Circular Letter M 11) to Local Medical Committees (except London) and to Divisions and Branches (except in the metropolitan area), urging the necessity for the local profession taking immediate steps to secure the representation on the Committee of the local authority which the latter had been advised by the Local Government Board to offer. This step was taken in view of the fact that the question was to be discussed at the Conference of representatives of Local Medical and Panel Committees, called by the Association for October 19th, 1916.

On October 4th the resolutions of the Annual Representative Meeting on the above question were further discussed at a joint meeting of the Medico-Political, Public Health, and Hospitals Committees, and instructions given that those resolutions, with various comments thereon, be issued to the Divisions without awaiting submission to the Council. This was done in the Circular Letter D 1, issued on October 12th, in which the Divisions were asked for their views as to terms of payment. Meantime, owing to the many requests received by the Central Office for advice on this latter question, the views of the Council thereon were issued on October 30th, 1916. These will be found on page 134 of SUPPLEMENT of November 4th.

Dr. M. G. Biggs, Dr. G. E. Haslip, Mr. N. Bishop Harman, and Mr. T. Jenner Verrall, LL.D., have been appointed to act in consultation with the National Council for Combating Venereal Diseases, with a view to obtaining legislation to make it a criminal offence for any unqualified person to treat, or to offer to treat, by advertisement or otherwise, any form of venereal disease, thus carrying on the policy advocated by the Association in its evidence before the Select Committee on Patent Medicines, and before the Royal Commission on Venereal Diseases.

The Metropolitan Counties Branch Council of the Association, on the invitation (handed on to it by the Central Office) of the National Council for Combating Venereal Diseases, nominated thirty practitioners living in Greater London to represent it at a conference held at the Mansion House for urging forward the provision of treatment centres throughout Greater London, to which all the municipal authorities, governing bodies of hospitals, and the staffs of hospitals were invited, together with representatives of the religious, educational, and social organizations.

State Registration of Trained Nurses.

The Committee, under the instructions of the Annual Representative Meeting and Council, is carefully watching the above question, having regard to the action of the College of Nursing, and is acting in close co-operation with the various nursing bodies represented on the Central Committee for the State Registration of Trained Nurses. Failing agreement with the College of Nursing as to a bill, the Central Committee, with the co-operation of the Association, will introduce its own bill.

The following have been appointed the representatives of the Association on the Central Committee: Mr. Garstang, Dr. G. E. Haslip, Mr. T. Jenner Verrall, LL.D., Mr. E. J. Domville, and the Medical Secretary.

Appointment of Subcommittees.

The following subcommittees have been reappointed: Parliamentary, Contract Practice, Maternity and Child Welfare, Ship Surgeons, Assistant Asylum Medical Officers, and Medico-Legal.

Maternity and Child Welfare Centres.

The Committee has during the past quarter been advising the Divisions concerned as to the establishment of maternity and child welfare centres at Hyde, Hornsey, Hertfordshire, and Reigate, with the object of having this work done by private practitioners rather than by the appointment of whole-time officers.

Private Bills in Parliament Affecting the Medical Profession.

Representations were recently made to the General Medical Council that it should, in the interests of the

profession, arrange to be supplied with copies of all private bills introduced into Parliament which affect the medical profession, and should, as a statutory body, have an opportunity of considering clauses affecting the medical profession introduced into a bill while in Parliament, before such clauses are allowed finally to take their place in any Act of Parliament. Correspondence between the Privy Council and the General Medical Council has been forwarded by the latter body and indicates that there does not appear to be any possibility of the General Medical Council obtaining the powers suggested by the Association.

In this connexion it may be stated that the Association has comprehensive machinery for considering all bills introduced into the Houses of Parliament, which, however, depends for much of its success on information as regards local bills sent by those Divisions which are vigilant as regards local matters.

Fees for Medical Certificates for the purpose of Establishing Claims to a Pension or Gratuity by Dependants of Soldiers and Sailors killed on Active Service.

The Statutory Pensions Committee has been informed of the decision of the Annual Representative Meeting, that in connexion with the giving of certificates by medical practitioners as to the degree of capacity to earn their own livelihood of dependants of deceased soldiers or sailors, for the purpose of establishing their claims to pension or gratuity, it is desirable (i) that there should be a uniform standard of estimating capacity to earn; (ii) that the work of certification should be done by a board of local practitioners, and should be paid for.

Lead Poisoning: Use of Abortifacients.

On the publication in June last of the recommendation of the National Commission on the Birth Rate that the manufacture and sale of a particular preparation of lead which is frequently used as a means of bringing on abortion should be prohibited or severely restricted, the Committee communicated with the Lord President of the Privy Council, reminding him that, after the collection of a good deal of evidence on the point, the Association on March 27th, 1906, addressed a letter to him urging that one of the most effective measures for preventing the spread of this evil would be to schedule diachylon as a poison under the Pharmacy Act, and urging that the suggestion should be taken into consideration by the Privy Council at an early date.

Uniform Form for Notification of Infectious Diseases.

The Local Government Board having forwarded for the observations of the Association a draft of a proposed general order prescribing a uniform form for the notification of infectious diseases, the matter was considered by the Public Health and Medico-Political Committees, and their views as to the amendment thereof have been forwarded to the Board, together with an expression of the Association's appreciation of the action of the Board in thus affording it an opportunity of expressing its views.

Medical Attendance and Treatment for Widows and Dependants of Soldiers and Sailors.

The following communication relating to medical attendance and treatment for widows and dependants of soldiers and sailors was addressed to secretaries of Branches and Divisions on November 10th. The question is one calling for the careful consideration of every member of the profession.

Dear Sir,

The Contract Practice Subcommittee of the Medico-Political Committee has had its attention drawn to the question which is arising in various parts of the country as to provision for the medical attendance and treatment of widows and families of deceased soldiers and sailors.

So far as it is possible to obtain information at present, no special provision appears to have been made by the Government for medical attendance and treatment of this class beyond the provision of a sum of 5s. per week for medical comforts, which is available for use by the Local Pensions Committee only in respect of those actually ill. The Subcommittee understands that medical practitioners in various areas are being approached by the Local Pensions Committee with a view to arranging special terms for such attendance and treatment, and it is realized that practitioners may be inclined, in view of the hardship under which the persons concerned may be labouring, to give gratuitous treatment or to make special arrangements without having regard to the ultimate effect of their action.

Pending consideration of the whole question by the Association, I am instructed by the Subcommittee to urge upon Branches and Divisions to secure that the local practitioners shall not enter into any arrangements with a Local Pensions Committee for the treatment of these cases, but should treat them individually. Where there is a public medical service such persons might very properly be urged to join it.

Further, it will be of considerable assistance to the Subcommittee if honorary secretaries will forward any information which they are in a position to supply as to whether practitioners in their area have entered or are entering into special arrangements for the treatment of this class, and, if so, upon what terms, and generally the opinions of their Divisions upon the whole question.

It is hoped to report fully to Divisions and Branches hereon at an early date, together with recommendations.

Yours faithfully,

ALFRED COX,
Medical Secretary.

INSURANCE.

LOCAL MEDICAL AND PANEL COMMITTEES.

NORTH TIPPERARY.

AT a meeting of the North Tipperary Local Medical Committee, held at Roscrea on November 23rd, the following resolutions were passed:

Medical Referees.

1. That this Committee protests against the action of the National Health Commissioners in permitting approved societies to appoint their own medical referees as contrary to the undertaking given by the Commissioners to the Irish Medical Committee, and with the result that referees were appointed in whom the local practitioners had no confidence and had refused to meet.
2. That the medical attendant who acts both as medical certifier and medical referee will offer an undue inducement to insured persons to apply to a doctor holding the dual post.

Treatment of Tuberculosis.

That the action of the North Tipperary County Council, in directing their tuberculosis officer to undertake the domiciliary treatment of all non-insured tuberculosis patients in the locality of his residence, is *ultra vires*, and places the tuberculosis officer in opposition to the usual medical attendants of these patients, thus defeating the main object of the tuberculosis scheme.

EAST SUFFOLK.

At a meeting of the Panel Committee on November 14th, Dr. GIUSEPPI presented a report on the recent Conference of Local Medical and Panel Committees, and was thanked for his services. It was resolved that the minimum fee for examining army patients for the purpose of pensions should be 10s. 6d.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the British Medical Association strongly protesting against the statement made by Dr. Harding at the Conference to the effect that, in spite of the increased cost of drugs, those practitioners who had to dispense had not been appreciably affected thereby. It was decided to write to the eight local authorities who were unwilling to supply diphtherial serum gratuitously, informing them that the majority of local authorities were in favour of doing so, and asking them to reconsider their decision.

HUNTINGDON.

At a meeting of the Local Medical and Panel Committee on November 16th the following resolutions were carried:

1. That it is advisable that agreements for 1917 be accepted.
2. That a flat rate of 7d. be charged for dispensing for temporary residents.
3. That the statistics asked for by the British Medical Association of work done during 1916 be compiled.

BERKSHIRE.

A circular recently issued by the Berkshire Local Medical Committee containing an account by the representative of that area of the recent Conference of Representatives of Local Medical and Panel Committees contains the following statement:

Your delegate came away from the Conference much impressed by the good work done by the Insurance Acts Committee of the British Medical Association. He formed the opinion that they have considerable influence with the Commissioners, and is also of the opinion that no body claiming to represent panel practitioners has such influence. He therefore urges all practitioners to support the British Medical Association, and in particular to study the SUPPLEMENT TO THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, so as to keep themselves *au fait* with the policy of the Association's Committee. He recommends practitioners who have proofs of any injustice done to them to forward the documents to the Secretary of the Panel Committee, who will forward them to the proper quarter. An incident which took place at the Conference made a serious impression upon him. A representative was making a fiery speech against accepting

the alteration in the agreement for 1917. The Chairman asked if his area was prepared to fight the issue to the extent of sending in their resignations. He answered, "No!" Practitioners must realize that if a vital question arises they must be prepared to take that step, if only as a preliminary to an amendment of the Act. Finally, your delegate advises that general meetings should be held a short time before and a short time after every annual conference.

BRADFORD.

At a meeting of panel practitioners held in Bradford on October 31st a resolution was unanimously adopted expressing the thanks of the Bradford panel practitioners to the Insurance Acts Committee of the British Medical Association for the able way in which the interests of practitioners were being looked after, and their appreciation of the services rendered.

INSURANCE NOTES.

LEITH.

AT a meeting of the Leith Local Medical and Panel Committees held on November 28th, when Dr. Allan Gray presided, the following resolution was adopted unanimously;

That measures be taken to form a Scottish Committee, composed of panel practitioners, for the purpose of dealing with Scottish insurance business, and of looking after the interests of Scottish panel practitioners.

DOCTORS AND WAR SERVICE: NEED FOR ENROLMENT.

At a meeting of the local medical profession at Southampton on November 14th the following resolution was passed:

That each member of the profession in Southampton be requested to enrol now, and thus leave himself liable to be called upon for service at the discretion of the War Office.

"INADEQUATE" PRESCRIBING.

At a meeting of the Manchester Insurance Committee last week the chairman, Mr. W. Davies, said he was afraid that some of the panel doctors did not understand or carry out their obligations to their patients in the matter of prescribing. In the early days of the Insurance Act it had been necessary to take steps to prevent over-prescribing, but there was now some reason to fear that some doctors had gone to the opposite extreme and were not prescribing the drugs that were necessary. The statement had been made that insured persons were often told by doctors that they could not prescribe the necessary drugs. If that were so, the doctors were wrong and a refusal to prescribe necessary medicines was a distinct violation of the doctors' agreement. Extravagant prescribing was, of course, not justifiable, but neither in the Act nor the regulations was there any limitation either of the cost or the quantity of the drugs that can be prescribed when necessary. He urged that any complaints of inadequate treatment should be sent in writing to the Insurance Committee and a full investigation would be made.

INSURANCE DISPENSING AND THE SHOP CLOSING ORDER.

The Salford Panel Committee has sent to all the panel practitioners of the area a circular drawing attention to the Shop Closing Order which compels chemists to close their shops at 8 p.m. or on Saturdays at 9 p.m. It points out that chemists are allowed to dispense or to sell drugs urgently needed after the closing hour, but the lights have to be down and the door locked, and the chemists feel it a hardship that they should be kept on duty for one or more hours in the evening during which they are not allowed to carry on their other business. In this matter the Panel Committee is entirely in sympathy with the chemists and considers, too, that practitioners will welcome a possibility of finishing their own work by 8 p.m. The panel practitioners are accordingly asked to meet the convenience of the chemists so far as the exigencies of their practices and the needs of the insured in their neighbourhood permit. It may not be possible entirely to refuse consultations after 8 p.m., especially in districts where workpeople may not finish their work till late in the evening, and the chemists will remain in attendance at their shops for a reasonable time after closing hours to dispense for late comers. In such cases practitioners are requested to mark the prescriptions of patients who are unable to attend before closing hours with the letter "L" as is now done for 9 o'clock, otherwise the chemists will be allowed to charge a dispensing fee of 6d.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE INSURANCE ACTS COMMITTEE.

RURAL VICTIM writes: At a meeting at Tunbridge Wells it is reported that the Medical Secretary of the British Medical Association "showed that the Committee was thoroughly representative of insurance practitioners."

It would be very interesting to know how many rural insurance practitioners there are on this Committee. I have been told there are none at all, but surely this must be a mistake in view of the Medical Secretary's statement. Of course it cannot be seriously contended that practitioners from large towns and large industrial areas can represent rural interests. As a member of a Panel Committee I have learnt that industrial members know nothing of the trials and troubles of rural panel doctors, and, I must add, they seem to care less.

Naval and Military Appointments.

ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE following announcements are notified by the Admiralty: Fleet Surgeon C. R. Rickard to the *Victory;* Staff Surgeon R. Connell, M.B., to the *Pembroke;* Surgeon A. H. Joy, M.B., to the *Pembroke;* Temporary Surgeons V. Magee to the *Vivid;* G. S. Sowden, M.B., to Chatham Hospital; F. Ewart to Haslar Hospital; J. E. Clark and W. O. Sankey, M.D., to Plymouth Hospital.

ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

Surgeon F. H. Watson, M.B., to the *Pembroke*, additional, for disposal; Surgeon Probationers J. Robinson to the *Defender*, R. Fletcher to the *Starfish*.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

Temporary Colonel (Major R.A.M.C.T.F.) F. F. Burghard, C.B., M.D., F.R.C.S., and Temporary Colonel (Lieutenant-Colonel R.A.M.C.T.F.) Sir J. K. Fowler, K.C.V.O., M.D., F.R.C.P., having resigned their appointments, relinquish their temporary commissions.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

Lieutenant-Colonel (temporary Colonel) J. F. M. Kelly, M.B., relinquishes his temporary rank on reposting.

Lieutenant-Colonel R. S. H. Fuhr, D.S.O., to be temporary Colonel whilst employed as an Assistant Director of Medical Services of a Division.

Temporary Major A. H. Carter, M.D., F.R.C.P., to be temporary Lieutenant-Colonel.

Temporary Captains to be temporary Majors: H. MacCormac, M.B., G. T. S. Sichel, F.R.C.S.

The name of temporary Captain Edward R. Welch, M.B. (since killed in action) is as new described and not as in the *London Gazette* of July 8th, 1915, and June 9th, 1916.

Temporary Captains relinquish their commissions: R. G. Murray, J. Braithwaite, M.B., W. R. Mackenzie, A. D. Vardon, H. C. Highet, J. C. R. Braine-Hartnell, F.R.C.S.E., C. J. Kelly, R. Williams, D. Welsh.

Temporary Captains relinquish their commissions on account of ill health: W. F. Bracey, K. N. MacLean, M.B.

Temporary Lieutenants to be temporary Captains: E. A. Pywell, H. A. Hutt, E. Atkinson, F. L. Brown, M.D., E. W. L. Sharp, E. A. Shirvell, I. M. Frazer, M.B., C. J. Sparrow, M.D., D. P. Williams, T. B. Welch, M.B., J. Black, M.B., W. J. Maloney, M.B., A. C. Norman, M.D., F. R. Barwell, W. D. A. King, M.B., J. Miller, M.B., J. O. Garland, W. C. MacFetridge, M.D., R. M. L. Anderson, M.B., T. D. McLaren, M.B., E. A. Scott, S. J. Darke, M.B., F. W. Martin, M.B., T. W. N. Dunn, M.B. J. W. Bennett M.B., E. C. E. Van Eyck, A. D. Rope, M.B., C. W. Ensor, E. L. Massiah, M.B., J. H. Cooke, M.B., J. A. MacLean, M.B., F. B. Hawes, R. A. G. Elliott, M.B., W. L. Dibb, M.B., H. B. Moyle, M.B., H. P. Rogers, M.B., W. Barbour, M.B., M. MacKenzie, M.B., H. L. Flint, M.B., P. W. Barker, M.B., T. R. Phipps, M.D., F. A. Ross, M.B., G. T. Foster Smith, M.B., G. McI. Dale, M.B., A. R. Riddell, M.B., R. I. Harris, M.B., C. L. Emerson, T. M. R. Waddell, G. W. P. Maitland, M.B., C. Fraser, M.D., G. Laurence, A. R. Hargreaves, J. Spears, M.B., H. B. Minshull, A. W. T. Whitworth, M.B., V. E. Ridewood, T. Russell A. W. G. Woodforde, M.B., E. C. Moore, M.B., F.R.C.S.E., R. N. Watson, H. Smith, J. Cropper, M.D., A. A. Watson, M.B., A. C. Fleming, E. McIntyre, R. McRae, M.D. F. C. Lees, G. F. Porter, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., R. B. Hennessy, M.B., W. E. Fraser, M.D., F. A. Winder, M.B., A. Whytt, M.D., C. J. L. Patch, R. D. Lemon, M.B., W. E. Gemmell, M.B., E. M. Longden, A. Mudie, A. J. R. Taylor, M.B., W. T. Munro, M.D., A. R. F. Douglas, J. A. Gilfillan, M.B., H. E. Robinson, H. H. S. Ellison, W. S. Williamson, S. Infield, H. B. Wilkinson D. Clow, M.B., W. McConnell, M.B., D. C. M. Page, L. Levy, M.B., G. B. Thwaites, M.B., W. D. G. Mulloy, M.B., W. G. Galletly, M.B., A. D. Low, J. Craig, M.B., J. A. Frost, E. H. Freeman, M.D., J. Humphreys, D. W. Maclagan, M.B., J. A. Black, M.B., E. Prall, W. J. E. Stutaford, E. P. Marett, A. Malseed, M.B., G. E. Lindsay, M.B., A. Barber, M.B., O. D. B. Mawson, G. F. Bird, M.B., C. H. Edwards, M.B., D. McM. Dickson, R. Anderson, R. H. Shepard, L. T. Giles, M.B., F.R.C.S.

To be temporary Captains: T. E. Hincks, M.B., late Captain South Wales Borderers (T.F.), W. Parry-Morgan, M.B.

Temporary Lieutenants relinquish their commissions: J. T. Griffiths, H. T. Marrable, M.D., H. W. Nott, R. C. Muir, M.B., W. G. Parkinson, M.B., J. G. Sharp, M.D., J. Bradley-Hughes, H. W. B. Ruxton, M.B., E. A. Hutton-Attenborough, D. Anderson, M.B., R. G. Chase, M.B., T. J. Taunton, H. R. Irvine, J. Logan, P. Kinmont, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., R. T. Forster, M.B., H. E. Barnes, M.D., F. W. Hobbs, W. H. Lamplough, M.D., G. A. Gordon, M.D., J. L. M. Smith, M.B., J. Moffat, M.B., C. W. W. James, B. W. Jones, M.B., O. G. Donovan, M.D., J. W. Fox, S. V. Robinson, M. Anthony, W. Roche, H. C. Heathcote, M.B., C. A. Hughes, M.B., R. L. Keown, M.B., A. T. M. Blair, M.B., J. D. Curtis, M.B., L. H. Douglass, M.D., C. R. Totton, M.B., H. M. D. Townsend, M.D., J. H. Nixon, M.D., H. H. Fairfax, H. Holt, M.B., H. O'Neil, M.B., E. F. Buckler, M.B., G. H. H. Almond, M.B., F. C. Carne, M.B., H. C. Miller, M.D., R. Kenyon, M.B., L. J. Hodd, M.B., O. H. G. Gostwyck, M.B., F.R.C.P.E., T. F. Dobbs, M. Davies, M.B.

To be temporary Lieutenants: J. Spencer-Daniell, M.B., J. M. Coplans, T. P. Linehan, M.B.; temporary honorary Lieutenant H. C. Shockett, M.B., and W. Simpson, M.B.; J. Laing, M.B., J. B. McEwan, M.B., L. G. White, H. F. Devis, P. R. McNaught, M.B., T. W. Jones, M.D., J. Cruickshank, M.D., W. Montgomery, M.B., P. J. Holmes, T. B. Smith, M.B., R. C. de C. Wheeler, M.B., S. F. Floyd, M.B., H. M. Grey, T. S. S. Holmes, M.B., F.R.C.S., J. G. Copland, M.B., L. F. Lovell-Keays, J. Chambre, M.B., J. A. C. Greene, J. M. Inverarity, J. Pryce-Davies, M. Golding, W. Thomson, M.B., G. H. Morris, R. H. Rains, P. McL. Shiels, M.B., H. D. Wilson, M.D., J. E. Murray, M.D., L. S. H. Glanville, M.D., V. C. Montgomery, M.B., A. H. Macklin, M.B., G. H. Jones, W. D. Kirkwood, M.D., G. T. Birks, M.B.

R. A. Chisholm, M.D., to be temporary honorary Lieutenant whilst employed with the No. 8 British Red Cross (Baltic and Corn Exchange) Hospital.

SPECIAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

To be Lieutenants J. W. G. Steell, C. Young, A. W. A. Davies, from University of London Contingent O.T.C., H. Morley, R. F. Jarrett, A. R. Balmain, M.B., J. S. White, M.B., A. Duguid, M.B., E. Newton Second Lieutenant A. Rodd, from unattached list (T.F.), O.T.C. (substituted for notification in the *London Gazette* of November 22nd), B. H. Simon, M.B., from Edinburgh University Contingent O.T.C., G. S. Lawrence, M.B., from Aberdeen University Contingent O.T.C.

OVERSEAS CONTINGENTS.

CANADIAN ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

L. A. B. Grier, M.D., to be temporary Captain.

SOUTH AFRICAN MEDICAL CORPS.

To be temporary Captains: E. A. Leviseur, Captain J. Rose, H. Mundy, F.R.C.S.

TERRITORIAL FORCE.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICES.

Captain D. J. Scott, M.D., London Field Ambulance, to be Deputy Assistant Director of Medical Services 56th Division.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

London Field Ambulance. Captain F. V. Denne relinquishes his commission on account of ill health.

London General Hospital.—Major F. F. Burghard, C.B., M.D., F.R.C.S., is restored to the establishment.

Home Counties Casualty Clearing Station.—Lieutenant W. Burt to be Captain.

Home Counties Field Ambulance.—Captain B. R. Billings resigns his commission.

East Lancashire Field Ambulance.—Lieutenant J. Young, M.B., to be Captain.

West Lancashire Field Ambulance.—Captain R. Starkey-Smith to be Major.

Attached to Units other than Medical Units.—K. Atkin to be Lieutenant (substituted for announcement in the *London Gazette* of September 9th). The initials of Major W. B. Milbanke, M.B., were incorrectly printed in our issue of November 11th. Lieutenants to be Captains: J. R. Bullman, M.B., G. H. Gill.

Vacancies and Appointments.

NOTICES REGARDING APPOINTMENTS.—Attention is called to a Notice (see Index to Advertisements—Important Notice re Appointments) appearing in our advertisement columns, giving particulars of vacancies as to which inquiries should be made before application.

VACANCIES.

BIRKENHEAD EDUCATION COMMITTEE.—Assistant School Medical Officer. Salary, £350 per annum.

BOURNEMOUTH: ROYAL VICTORIA AND WEST HANTS HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £200 per annum.

BRISTOL: ROYAL INFIRMARY.—House-Physician. Salary, £120 per annum.

BURNLEY: VICTORIA HOSPITAL.—House Surgeon. Salary, £160 per annum.

CANNING TOWN WOMEN'S SETTLEMENT HOSPITAL, Balaam Street, E.—Qualified Woman for out-patient work. Honorarium, 10s. 6d. an attendance.

CROYDON UNION.—Resident Assistant Medical Superintendent of the Infirmary and Assistant Medical Officer of the Union House and Children's Homes. Salary, £250 per annum.

GENERAL LYING-IN HOSPITAL, York Road, Lambeth. Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum.

LANCASTER: COUNTY ASYLUM. Lady Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £250 per annum.

LIVERPOOL: ROYAL SOUTHERN HOSPITAL.—Three House-Surgeons.

LONDON TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL, Hampstead Road, N.W.—(1) Assistant Resident Medical Officer. (2) Casualty Officer (non-resident). Honorarium, £120 per annum each.

MANCHESTER: ANCOATS HOSPITAL.—Two Fourth-year students as Unqualified Residents. Salary, £50 per annum.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.—Temporary Tuberculosis Officer. Salary, £450 per annum.

PLYMOUTH: SOUTH DEVON AND EAST CORNWALL HOSPITAL.—House-Physician. Salary, £200.

ROCHDALE INFIRMARY.—Second House-Surgeon. Salary, £150 per annum.

ROTHERHAM HOSPITAL.—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £150 per annum.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—(1) Two Senior Assistants in the Venereal Disease Out-patient Department. (2) Pathologist to Venereal Diseases Department. (3) Second Clinical Assistant in the Gynaecological Department. Salary, for (1) 156 guineas per annum, and for (2) £200 per annum.

ROYAL NATIONAL ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL, Great Portland Street, W.—Resident Surgical Officer.

ST. PANCRAS DISPENSARY, Oakley Square, N.W.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £150 per annum.

SALOP COUNTY COUNCIL.—Tuberculosis Medical Officer. Salary at the rate of £500 per annum.

SHEFFIELD UNION HOSPITAL.—Resident (Women) Assistant Medical Officers. Salary, £250 per annum, rising to £300.

SURREY EDUCATION COMMITTEE.—School Dentist. Salary, £300 per annum, rising to £350.

VENTNOR: ROYAL NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—Assistant Resident Medical Officer.

WESTMORLAND SANATORIUM, Meathop.—Second Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £200 to £250 per annum.

YORKSHIRE: WEST RIDING COUNTY COUNCIL.—Assistant Medical Officer at the Cardigan Sanatorium, Carr Gate, and the Middleton-in-Wharfedale Sanatorium, near Ilkley. Salary, £400 per annum.

CERTIFYING FACTORY SURGEONS.—The Chief Inspector of Factories announces the following vacant appointment: Harrogate (Yorks, West Riding).

To ensure notice in this column—which is compiled from our advertisement columns, where full particulars will be found—it is necessary that advertisements should be received not later than the first post on Wednesday morning. Persons interested should refer also to the Index to Advertisements which follows the Table of Contents in the JOURNAL.

APPOINTMENTS.

CHRISTOPHERSON, C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Medical Referee under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, for County Court Circuit No. 50, and to be attached more particularly to the Eastbourne, Hastings, and Rye County Courts, vice Dr. J. W. Batterham, resigned.

CULLEN, B. T., M.B., B.Ch., N.U.I., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Ballyhaise District, co. Cavan.

CULLEN, J. R. F., M.B., C.M.Glas., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Alexandria District, co. Dumbarton.

DOW, T., L.R.C.P.and S.Edin., L.R.F.P.S.Glasg., District Medical Officer of the Teignmouth Union.

HOWELL, R. V., M.B., Ch.B.Glasg., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Clacton-on-Sea District, co. Essex.

MALCOLM, R., M.D., District Medical Officer of the Doncaster Union.

ROBERTSON, Miss E. A., M.B., Assistant Medical Officer of the Hackney Union Infirmary.

ROBINSON, H. J., M.B., B.C.Cantab., Certifying Factory Surgeon for the Kirkoswald District, co. Cumberland.

SINCLAIR, G., M.D., L.R.C.P., Medical Referee under the Workmen's Compensation Act for the Sheriffdom of Caithness, Orkney and Shetland, and to be attached more particularly to the Orkney District, vice Dr. Benjamin Bell, deceased.

STATHAM, R. W., M.R.C.S.Eng., Medical Officer of the Cheddar Cottage Home of the Axbridge Union.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is **5s.**, *which sum should be forwarded with the notice not later than the first post on Wednesday morning in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.*

BIRTHS.

CHAMBERS.—On December 7th, at The Rock, Castletown, Isle of Man, the wife of John H. Chambers, L.M.S.S.A., of a son.

HUTCHINSON.—On October 28th, at Malabar Hill, Bombay, the wife of Major L. T. Rose Hutchinson, Indian Medical Service, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ALLMAN—WALDRON.—On the 5th inst., at Portsmouth, Percy Nicol Allman, L.R.C.S. and P.I., youngest son of late Samuel Allman, of Birr, Ireland, to Ethel Annie Waldron, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., of Wharncliffe War Hospital, Sheffield, second daughter of William Waldron, of Oakfields, Kingswinford, Staffs.

FRASER—GALBRAITH.—At St. Simon's, Milner Street, London, S.W., on November 30th, by the Rev. W. F. Boyle, M.A., assisted by the Rev. Marshall Selwyn, M.A., Kenneth Grant Fraser, L.R.C.P. and S.Edin., temporary Captain R.A.M.C., to Charlotte Eileen, younger daughter of the late Henry Galbraith, Archdeacon of Glendalough.

DEATHS.

RAYNER.—On November 25th, 1916, at Fulwood, Preston, Alexander Clement Rayner, M.D.Durh., M.R.C.S., L.S.A., aged 74.

RENSHAW.—On Wednesday, December 6th, at his residence, Beech Hurst, Ashton-on-Mersey, Charles J. Renshaw, M.D., aged 75.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE.—5 p.m., Sir Almroth Wright: Gas Gangrene.

WEDNESDAY.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE:
SECTION OF HISTORY OF MEDICINE.—4.30 p.m., Exhibits of Portraits, Books, etc. 5 p.m., Dr. J. D. Roberts: The Medical Interest of Casanova's *Memoires*.

THURSDAY.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE:
SECTION OF DERMATOLOGY.—4.30 p.m., Cases.

DIARY OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Date.		Meetings to be Held.
		JANUARY, 1917.
2	Tues.	London: Propaganda Subcommittee, 3.45 p.m.
		London: Hospitals Committee
3	Wed.	London: Journal Committee, 2 p.m.
		London: Public Health Committee, 2.30 p.m.
5	Fri.	London: Central Ethical Committee, 2 p.m.
9	Tues.	London: Organization Committee, 2.15 p.m.
10	Wed.	London: Medico-Political Committee.
7	Wed.	London: Finance Committee, 2 p.m.
24	Wed.	London: Council Meeting.

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